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PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Squires,

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In view of the telephone conference scheduled on 07 April 2009, Applicant kindly asks Examiner to consider the following proposed amendment. Applicant has re-written claim 1 with more clarification based on the allowable subject matter,

1 1. (Currently amended) A computer implemented method of detecting 2 scanning attacks, comprises:

adding host-pair connection-records to a connection-tablefirst data structure stored on a computer readable medium when a host accesses another host during a first update period;

determine new host-pairs; determining the number of new host pairs added to the connection-tablefirst data structure over the first update period; and aggregating records from the first data structure into a second data structure which corresponds to a second update period that is greater than the first update period;

at the end of a first update period, accessing the connection table to

determining the number of new host pairs added to the second data structure over the second update period; and

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14	indicating a host as a scanner when at least one of the following conditions
15	is true:
16	(1) if athe host has madeappears in more than a first threshold number
17	"C1" host pairs within the first update period, and an a historical number of host
18	pairs is smaller than the first threshold number by a first factor value "C2;" and
19	, then
20	(2) the host appears in more than a second threshold number "C4" host
21	pairs within the second update period, and a historical number of host pairs is
22	smaller than the second threshold number by a first factor value "C5."

Respectfully submitted,

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